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REMARKS

By this Amendment, applicants have amended the specification to recite the continuing data for the above-identified application. Accordingly, applicants maintain that the amendment to the specification raises no issue of new matter and respectfully request that this amendment be entered.

Claims 1-13 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment applicants have canceled claims 1-13 and added new claims 14-20. Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment, claims 14-20 will be pending and under examination. New claims 14-20 correspond to the subject matter of Group II of the claims identified by the Examiner in a restriction requirement issued August 3, 1998 in connection with U.S. Serial No. 08/911,616 which is the parent of the subject application.

Applicants maintain that new claims 14-20 raise no issue of new matter and that these claims are fully supported by the specification as filed.

Support for new claim 14 may be found inter alia in the specification, as originally-filed, at page 3, lines 12-23. Support for new claims 15 and 16 may be found inter alia in the specification, as originally-filed, at page 4, lines 21-24; and page 8, lines 16-20.

Support for new claim 17 may be found inter alia in the specification, as originally-filed, at page 8, line 27 through page 9, line 4. Support for new claim 18 may be found inter alia in the specification, as originally-filed, at page 9, lines 22-24.